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Vaccination of crews and steerage passengers required.

MANILA, P. I., *March 28, 1901.*

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that owing to the increase of smallpox in Manila and some other towns in the Philippine Islands, I am now enforcing vaccination of all crews and steerage passengers arriving at this port.

I have also directed Asst. Surg. L. D. Fricks and Asst. Surg. H. A. Stansfield to institute the same procedure at Iloilo and Cebu, respectively.

This work necessitates the employment of 2 additional temporary attendants, as vaccinators, at this station.

The vaccine virus is furnished by the board of health of Manila.

Respectfully, J. C. PERRY,
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

PORTO RICO.

Smallpox in the island.

SAN JUAN, P. R., *April 10, 1901.*

SIR: Since my last report, dated March 5, 1901, concerning the smallpox situation in Porto Rico, I have the honor to say that the following cases have occurred to date: Ponce, 34; Ciales, 1; Aguas Buenas, 4; San Juan, 6; Isabela, 4; Manati, 1. Total, 50.

The disease continues of a mild type, only 2 confluent cases being reported. No deaths from the disease are reported.

Respectfully, H. S. MATHEWSON,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,
Chief Quarantine Officer for Porto Rico.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Report from Ponce.

PONCE, P. R., *April 15, 1901.*

SIR: Through the chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health reports for the week ended April 13: Four vessels were inspected and passed, and 7 bills of health were issued. The smallpox situation continues to improve slowly; 3 new cases and 8 recoveries were reported for the week, leaving 18 still under treatment, most of whom will be discharged soon.

Respectfully, W. W. KING,
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

Inspection of immigrants at San Juan during the week ended April 13, 1901.

SAN JUAN, P. R., *April 15, 1901.*

SIR: I submit herewith report of alien steerage passengers arriving at this port during the week ended April 13, 1901: April 11, Spanish